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Applicant: Cornelis Martinus Lok
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TITANIA SUPPORT
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir :

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement stated in the Office Letter dated May 9, 2008.

The Examiner requires that claims of either one of Groups I, II and III be elected for prosecution. Applicant elects to prosecute the claims of Group I, namely claims 1 through 8. This election is made with traverse.

Applicant respectfully submits that unity of invention exists among Groups I, II and III because they each share the same corresponding technical feature. The process steps of Group I share the same corresponding special technical feature as the product claims of Group II because the process steps of Group I inherently produce the novel product of Group II. Thus, the process is "specially adapted" within the meaning of MPEP 1893.03(d), and unity of invention exists among Groups I and II. Furthermore, the method of use claims of Group III are also believed to be linked to form a single general inventive concept because the claims of Group III include a special technical feature(s) found in the claims of the other groups. Thus, unity of invention exists among Groups I, II and III.

In any event, Applicant reserves the right to reintroduce the claims of Groups II and III in the event that the claims of Group I are found allowable.

Respectfully submitted,



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